GOVERNMENT OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH CARE FINANCE

NOTICE OF FUNDING AVAILABIITY

The Department of Health Care Finance (DHCF) announces an amended Notice of Funding Availability (NOFA) for grant funds pursuant to the authority established by DHCF using funds provided by the Department of Health and Human Services (HHS), Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration (SAMHSA), State Opioid Response Grant, CFDA #93.788 to make grant funds available to deliver Medication Assisted Therapy (MAT) for opioid use disorder via telemedicine The Director of DHCF has authority to issue grants under the Department of Health Care Finance Establishment Act of 2007, effective February 27, 2008 (D.C. Law 17-109; D.C. Official Code 7-771.05(4) (2012 Repl.).

The original NOFA was published on September 11, 2020. It is being amended to require that applicants be organized as a Non-Profit organization.

A Request for Applications (RFA) for the below opportunities will be released under a separate announcement with guidelines for submitting the application, review criteria, and DHCF terms and conditions for applying for and receiving funding. The anticipated performance period for these grants is the date of award to September 29, 2021. The grant award is contingent upon available funding.

Descriptions of Opportunities:

Telemedicine Innovations in Medication Assisted Therapy ("TeleMAT)" Grant: At least three (3) grants of up to \$250,000 each will be awarded to provide telehealth services in the District's Medication Assisted Therapy (MAT) network. DHCF shall award at least three (3) grants to support the development of scalable programs that utilize telemedicine to increase access to MAT for purposes of treating opioid use disorder (OUD) for District residents. These grants will implement, improve, enhance, or measure MAT telehealth services for District residents in compliance with the Controlled Substances Act and the Ryan Haight Act. Funding for this opportunity is provided by the District of Columbia's Opioid Response (DCOR) initiative, which is funded by the Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration (SAMHSA) State Opioid Response (SOR) grant and administered by the Department of Behavioral Health (DBH). Awardees will be required to comply with SAMHSA reporting requirements for funding used for DCOR.

Eligibility Requirements:

Applicants must have a demonstrated record of care delivery for Medicaid beneficiaries with OUD and must be authorized ("waivered") to treat opioid dependency with buprenorphine. All applicants must also be registered organization in good standing with the DC Department of Consumer and Regulatory Affairs (DCRA), Corporation Division, the Office of Tax and Revenue (OTR), the Department of Employment Services (DOES), and the Internal Revenue Service (IRS), and demonstrate Clean Hands certification at the time of application.

Applicants must be organized under the District of Columbia Non-Profit Corporation Act (D.C. Official Code, sec. 29-501 et seq) or organized as a Non-Profit organization in the jurisdiction where the entity is incorporated.

A RFA will be released on or around October 30, 2020. The application package will be available online at https://communityaffairs.dc.gov/content/community-grant-program and the DHCF website (https://dhcf.dc.gov/page/dhcf-grant-opportunities).

DHCF held a pre-proposal conference on September 29, 2020 from 11:00 a.m. to 12 p.m. EST via Webex. Prospective applicants must provide an email address to DHCF to receive notification of amendments or clarifications to the RFA.

Completed applications must be <u>received</u> on or before 4p.m. on November 30, 2020. No applications will be accepted after the submission deadline. All eligible applications will be reviewed through a competitive process.

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